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TRAFFIC FATALITY #26

Case: 09-1220103

Date: Saturday, May 2, 2009

Time: 12:44 a.m.

Location: 10000 US HWY 290 East at SH 130

Deceased: Yusuf Shabazz Benson, Black male, (D. O. B. 02-17-1973)

Narrative:

On Saturday, May 2, 2009, at approximately 12:44 a.m., Austin Police Officers responded to a traffic fatality crash in the 10000 block of US HWY 290 East at SH 130.

A preliminary investigation shows that a 1999 Ford pickup truck was traveling westbound on US HWY 290 East and failed to navigate the turn northbound onto SH 130. The driver lost control and the truck left the roadway falling off the elevated service road and landing in the northbound lanes of SH 130. It rolled over and came to rest in the center median. The driver was the sole occupant and was pronounced deceased at the scene. He was not wearing a seatbelt.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call APD Vehicular Homicide Unit Detectives at 512-974-4724. This case remains under investigation by APD Vehicular Homicide detectives. This is the 26th traffic fatality of 2009.

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